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## PATENT

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**Customer No. 22882**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:**

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**For: Screws of Cortical Bone and  
Method of Manufacture Thereof**

**Group Art Unit: 3732**

**Examiner: M. Priddy**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

**Sir:**

**AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification (with the changes as shown in the attachment)

to read as follows:

**Page 26, paragraph 2:**

—In a further step in the manufacture of the screws of the present invention, the screw may be immersed in, or coated with, biologically active chemical agents included, but not limited to, antibiotics, or substances to promote bone formation such as bone morphogenetic proteins, mineralizing proteins, hydroxyapatite, or genetic material coding for the production of bone (directly or indirectly).—